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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

LIN et al.

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For: "METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR PROVIDING AN EARLY  
WARNING OF THERMAL  
DECAY IN MAGNETIC  
STORAGE DEVICES"

Group Art Unit: 2627

Examiner: Rodriguez, Glenda P.

**REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH  
EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Dear Sir:

Applicants, through their attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) of three (3) months in which to respond to the Office Action mailed November 1, 2005, with respect to the above-identified patent application, thereby extending the period for response from February 1, 2006 to May 1, 2006.

Applicants note that a one-month extension of time (mailed on February 14, 2006) has already been obtained. Accordingly, Applicants have already paid a one-month extension fee in the amount of \$120.00. Therefore, Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the credit card identified on the enclosed Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$900.00 to cover the difference between the one-month extension fee and the three-month extension fee.

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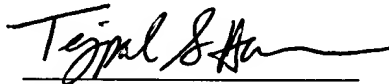
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Applicants believe that no other fees are due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 50-2198 for any fee deficiencies associated with filing this paper.

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